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Town Council Approves Motion Of Lethbridge Experimental Station

Appreciation

At the Council meeting, Monday evening, motion of appreciation was approved concerning the vote of confidence expressed in the last election.

The fact that the old councillors were approved, indicates to a major extent at least that the rate payers of the town approved the policies of the present administration. It will continue to be the program of this administration to give efficient and economical service to the rate payers of the town. The Council feels that the people of the town should be vitally interested in the affairs of the town as they are the ones who pay the bills and they should know that they are getting full value for their money.

For the last two or three years the town mill rate has been reduced to offset the extra requirements of the School requisition in order not to add any more load than was absolutely necessary on the rate payers. The additional three mill sewer tax is for the sewer debentures.

The Town officials always welcome constructive advice and suggestions for the betterment of town conditions. This is one method of determining the wishes of the rate payers. The following projects are in process of completion or are being considered for improvement.

1. The sewer system is expected to be completed this coming season.
2. The filtration plant and new line down Broadway will be completed this year and new water lines for the town are purchased and will be installed as fast as conditions will permit. This is hoped to eliminate leaks and improve the pressure of the system.

3. Sidewalks on both sides of Broadway are on the program for this summer subject to getting the sewer and water connections into the business houses. Other sidewalks programs are under consideration in various parts of the town. The standard plan of the Council with respect to the co-operation of the rate payers is still open and will be handled on individual blocks.
4. The condition of the roads is more or less static until the water and sewer systems are completed, but as soon as conditions permit, it is the intention to regrade Broadway so that drainage will be continuous from one end of the street to the other and will eliminate all water pockets. With the sewer system in operation, ground water should be reduced and we hope to eliminate considerable alkali out of the town. Other outlying roads will be put in a suitable condition just as fast as finances and other conditions are right. With the new maintainer, it is expected that we can give improved service towards keeping the roads in better condition than in the past.

5. A start was made sometime ago towards improving the sanitary situation and disposal of garbage. Incinerators have been on the program for some time and disposition of this waste material will be taken care of. The dump ground at the West approach of town is going to be cleaned up in the spring and the material disposed of. Plans are underway for a more efficient disposal of this material on the site.
6. The town planning committee has been asked to block off areas in the centre of town to provide more lot space close in. This may involve some "A" streets being installed to the centre of some blocks.
7. The general cleaning up and disposition of waste area in the streets is also in the program.
8. The zoning by-law is in operation and it is designed to improve the housing facilities and raise the standard of town homes. This is beneficial particularly to the school district wherein they are forced to take care of heavy populations of children and move into the city for the winter.

9. In the recreational field, the Town, in co-operation with the Athletic Association, Service Clubs and the schools wishes to encourage wholesome recreation and the parks are available for this purpose. The Town is getting a good start in track, baseball, basketball, hockey skating, swimming and youth training. It is the Town's intention to continue in support of these activities.
10. The Fire Department has been greatly improved with the purchase of the new Fire Engine and scientific fire fighting equipment. The volunteer Fire Department is fully organized and regular practices are held—our department is now one of the best in the South. The Town intends to keep it that way for the protection of the ratepayer's property. The council is anxious to see the

town go forward and are agreeable to co-operate on any project which might improve the general conditions keeping in mind always that taxes are at their maximum and town expenditures must be kept to a point where people can live in the town without paying a prohibitive rate.

All this program can be helped by full co-operation of citizens with respect to their own individual property and street. Co-operation in looking after their immediate vicinity will improve considerably the whole situation. Waste materials, rubbish, etc. can be hauled away but it requires continuous effort on the part of the home owners and business houses to see that litter is not common in their vicinity. This town can be made one of the better towns of the south with everyone working to that end.

Respectfully Submitted,
The Council.



PRICES PROBE

There is no doubt that the masses across this nation will be keenly interested to learn about the happenings at the special committee of the House of Commons Hearing on prices but it must be emphasized at this time that officials are anxious to avoid any misconceptions about the developments currently taking place at these hearings, with one of the most important witnesses' evidence here being of a kind which must be clearly and completely understood to avoid such misconceptions. This is the evidence provided by F. A. McGregor, Commissioner of the Combines Investigations Act, which aims to safeguard Canadian consumers against unjustified price increases.

"Now it should not be taken that because we have made certain inquiries into those fields, therefore there must be something wrong", said Mr. McGregor at this prices probe. "We are trying to find out whether there is something wrong. If as we carry on with a case, we find that there is no evidence sufficient to justify going further, we drop it."

Mr. McGregor told the committee that in answer to questions about possible hoarding, profiteering or price fixing within the past several months he did not have any complaints or evidence of any kind of

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WEEKLY LETTER

RANGE PROBLEMS IN THE FOOTHILLS

Deterioration of range through overgrazing in the foothills region follows an interesting pattern. In the first place the native bunch grass and other palatable species give way to less palatable grasses and weeds which are better able to withstand grazing and trampling by cattle. In the southern part of the foothills overgrazing is often indicated by a marked increase in the size of plants of shrubby cinquefoil while farther north patches of western snowberry tend to increase greatly in size. In other areas, depending upon the soil type, many other pasture weeds increase with overgrazing with dandelions appearing in the last stages of deterioration. At the present time in our foothills a few fields have already reached this stage and many others are covered by stands of shrubby cinquefoil or western snow-

berry. Preliminary experiments have been made to determine the value of 2,4-D in controlling these weeds and these tests will be enlarged and continued during the coming year.

Last summer some fundamental studies were started on shrubby cinquefoil. Examination of root sections showed that many of the plants were from forty to sixty years old. The stems, on the other hand, showed from one to eighteen years growth. This would explain why this particular plant forms a relatively unimportant part of well-managed native range but is capable of increasing very rapidly with overgrazing.

In an effort to more fully answer these and other questions, investigations, are being undertaken in the foothills region. Experiments and projects will be designed to secure information that may be of aid to both ranch management and the various administrative agencies concerned with the area. These will include studies of carrying capacity, determination of suitable forage crops, reseeding of depleted ranges and methods of eradicating range weeds.

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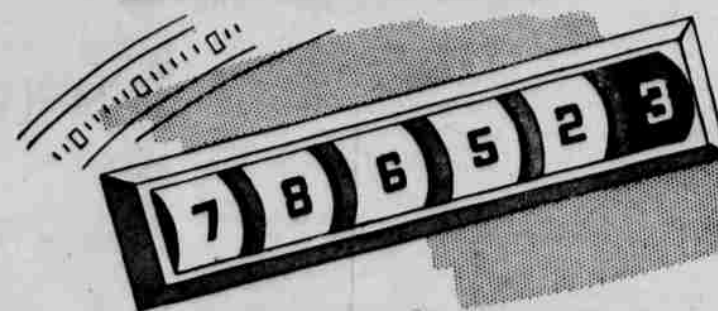
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